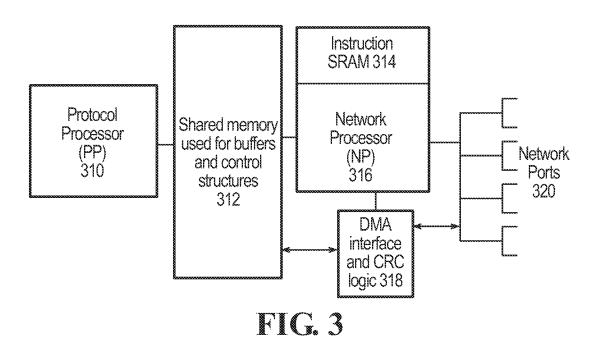


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| Table entry for                 | Context         | Handler routine            |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Device A                        | pointer         | address                    |
| Table entry for<br>Device A DMA | Context pointer | Handler routine<br>address |
| Table entry for                 | Context         | Handler routine            |
| Device B                        | pointer         | address                    |
| Table entry for                 | Context         | Handler routine            |
| Device B DMA                    | pointer         | address                    |
| %                               | &               | e                          |
| %                               | &               | 8                          |
| &                               | &               | 8                          |

FIG. 2



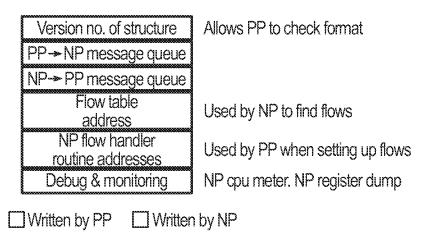


FIG. 4

| 7 state variables<br>(to be preloaded into registers)<br>Used for current buffer pointers<br>cell counts, policing params, etc. |
|---|
| NP rx handler address   |
| NP tx handler address   |
| Current buffer  |
| Buffer source and/or destination  |
| Type, Flags   |
| Local buffer queue (switch flows)   |
| Other flow-specific data  |

First part has a similar format in all flows. A flow is invoked by a single instructions: - loads 8 or 9 registers

- jumps to handler routine

FIG. 5

(These steps are interleaved with operations on other flows and ports)

NP

Queue transmit buffer on flow (using lock) Send TXBUFFER message

Initialize transmission (if port note active)

Write first cell/fragment to network port

. . .

Write second cell/fragment to network port

. . .

Write final cell/fragment to network port

\* \* \*

Check transmission status

If OK, return buffer to pool

## FIG. 6

PP NP

First cell/fragment arrives from network

Allocate buffer from pool

Read first cell/fragment from network port

. . .

Read second cell/fragment from port

. . .

Read final cell/fragment from port

. . .

Read reception status & copy to buffer

More buffer to flow's destination queue

Send RX BUFFER message

Call flow's callback routine to handle buffer Return buffer to pool

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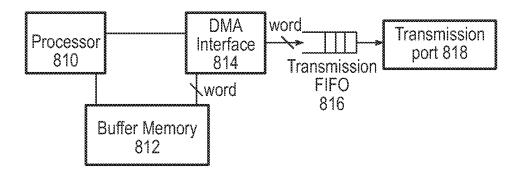


FIG. 8

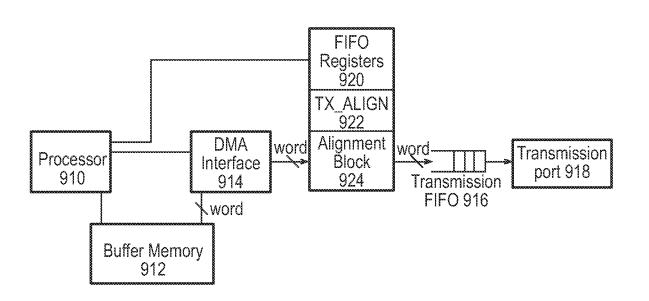
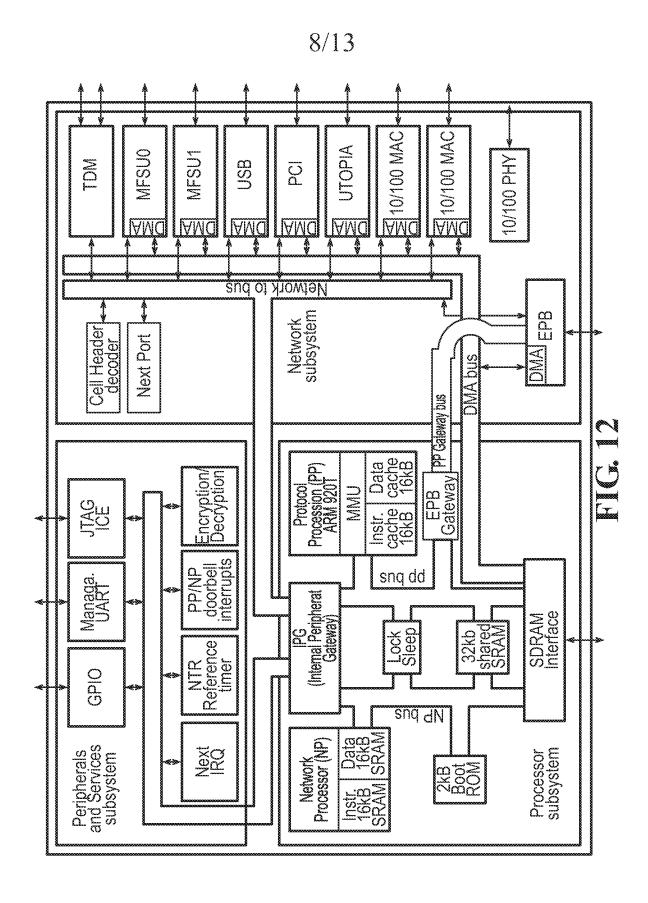
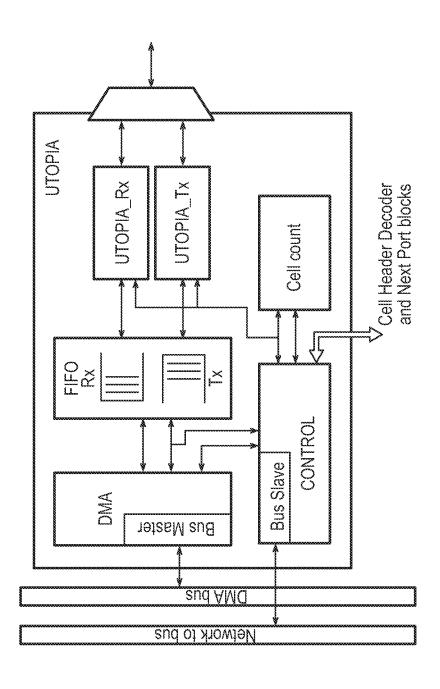


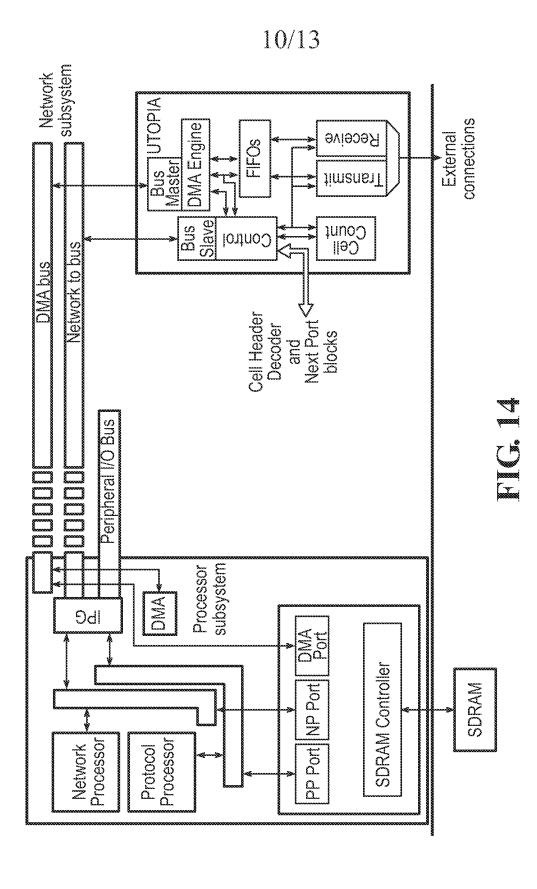
FIG. 9

| *  |           |            |            |           |            |            |           |              |               |           |           |            |           |  |               |           |            |           |         |           |           |            |               |
|--|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|--|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| Word written<br>to FIFO                                  | Ddrs.vwvz | No write   | No write   | No write  | DQTS.VWVZ  | No write   | No write  | No write     |               | vzah.iikl | vwah.iiki | rsah.iikl  | paah.iikl |  | vwvz.qhii     | rsvw.dhii | pars.ahii  | No write  |         | rsvw.yzah | pars.vwah | No write   | No write      |
| TX ALIGN<br>register word<br>after first<br>memory cycle | XXXX.XX00 | pars,vw01  | pars.XX02  | paXX.XX03 | XXXX.XX00  | pgrs.XX01  | pgrs.XX02 | pdXX.XX03    |               | pdrs.vw01 | pgrs.XX02 | pqXX.XX03  | XXXX.XX00 | ***************************************  | pars.XX02     | pqXX.XX03 | XXXX.XX00  | paah.ii01 |         | paXX.XX03 | XXXX.XX00 | pars.ah01  | paah.XX02     |
| Next word<br>from memory                                 | Ddrs.vwyz | pars, vwXX | pars, XXXX | XXXXXXXpd | DGITS.VWVZ | pars. vwXX | pgrs.XXXX | DQXX.XXXX    | IRANARARAA    | Ddrs.vwyz | pgrs.vwXX | pars. XXXX | DqXX.XXX  |  | pgrs.vwvz     | pgrs.vwXX | pars. XXXX | DQXXXXXX  |         | DGIS.VWVZ | DQFS.VWXX | pars. XXXX | DQXX.XXXX     |
| TX_ALIGN<br>register<br>word at<br>start                 | XXXX.XXXX | XXXX.XXXX  | XXXX.XXXX  | XXXX.XXXX | XXXX.XXOO  | XXXX.XXOO  | XXXX.XXOO | XXXX.XXOO    |               | ghii.k101 | ahii.k101 | ahii.k101  | ahii.k101 | ***************************************  | qhii.xx02     | ghij.xx02 | ahii.xx02  | ahii.xx02 |         | ahxx.xx03 | ahxx.xx03 | qhxx.xx03  | ghxx.xx03     |
| KEEP<br>ALIGN<br>flag                                    | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0         |            | 4          | -grana    | <del></del>  |               | ~~~       | <b>4</b>  | 4          | 4         | пиналиния применти   | - <del></del> | <b>-</b>  | 4          | 4         |         | 4         | 4         |            | - <del></del> |
| Least<br>significant 2<br>bits of DMA<br>address         | 00        | 2          | 5          | 4-4-      | 8          | <u>.</u>   | 10        | <del>2</del> |               | 00        | 01        | 10         |           | Service de la compansión de la compansió | 00            | 5         | 10         | Ann       |         | 8         | 5         | <u></u>    | skur<br>skur  |
| OCTETS<br>field in<br>TX_ALIGN<br>register               | ×         | ×          | ×          | X         | <br>8      | 8          | 8         | 8            | 1000000000000 | 0         |           |            | 5         |  | 2             |           |            |           | 0000000 | ź         |           |            |               |

|              | Word written to FIFO register XXxx.vwyz XXXX.vwyz XXXX.vwyz XXXX.vwyz XXXX.xxyz XXXX.xxyz XXXX.xxyz Axxxx | FIFO register written TX FIF00 | TX_ALIGN<br>after FIFO                  | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
|              | DGFS.VWYZ XXXS.VWYZ XXXXX.VWYZ XXXXXXXXXZ DGFS.VWYZ   | TX FIF00                       | register<br>write                       | void written<br>to FIFO               |
|              | XXrs.vwyz<br>XXXX.vwyz<br>XXXX.XXyz<br>pqrs.vwyz  | - FOLIA 74                     | XXXX.XX00                               | DQFS.VWVZ                             |
|              | XXXX.Vwýz<br>XXXX.XXVz<br>pqrs.vwyz   |                                | rsvw.vz01                               | No write                              |
|              | XXXX.XXXZ   | TX FIF02                       | vwyz.XX02                               | No write                              |
|              | DGITS, VWVZ   | TX FIF03                       | yzXX.XX03                               | No write                              |
|              | Ddrs.vwyz   | ********                       | ŧ                                       |                                       |
|              |   | TX FIF00                       | pars,vw01                               | vzah, iikl                            |
|              | XXrs.vwvz   | TX FIF01                       | rsvw.XX02                               | vzah.iikl                             |
|              | XXXX.vwvz   | TX FIF02                       | vwXX.XX03                               | vzáh.iikl                             |
|              | XXXX.XXVZ   | TX FIF03                       | XXXX.XX00                               | vzah, iikl                            |
|              | •   | *****                          |   |                                       |
|              | DQTS, VWVZ  | TX FIF00                       | pars.vw02                               | wwz.ahii                              |
|              | XXrs.vwvz   | TX FIFO1                       | rsXX.XX03                               | vwvz.ghii                             |
|              | XXXX.vwvz   | TX FIF02                       | XXXX.XX00                               | wwz.ahii                              |
|              | XXXXXXX   | TX FIF03                       | paah.ii01                               | No write                              |
|              |   |                                | *************************************** |                                       |
| 11 ahxx.xx03 | DOI'S, VWVZ   | TX FIF00                       | DaXX.XXD3                               | rsvw.vzah                             |
| 11           | XXrs.vwvz   | TX FF01                        | XXXX.XX00                               | rsvw.ýxáh                             |
| 11 ghxx.xx03 | XXXX.vwyz   | TX_FIF02                       | vwvz.gh01                               | No write                              |
| 11 ghxx.xx03 | XXXX.XXyz   | TX FIF03                       | yzgh.XX02                               | No write                              |







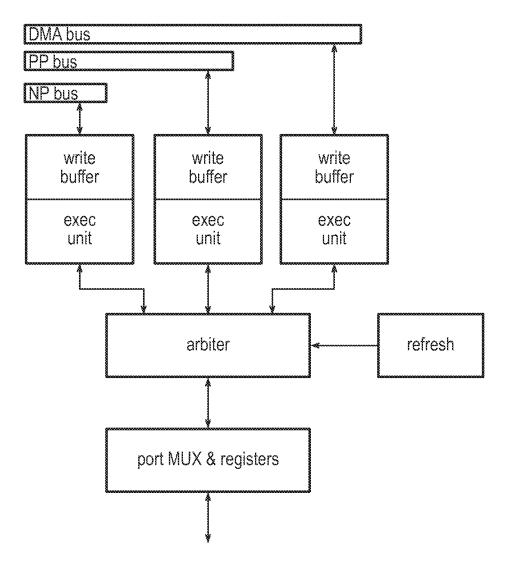
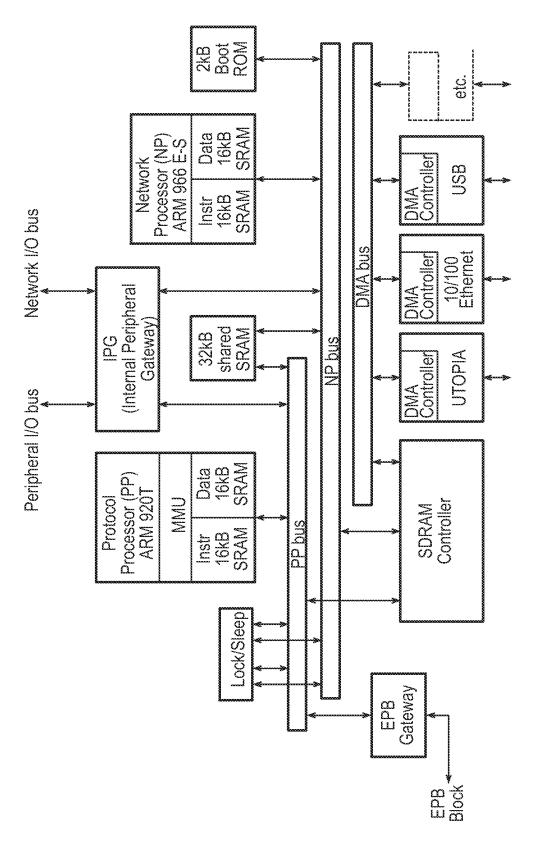


FIG. 15



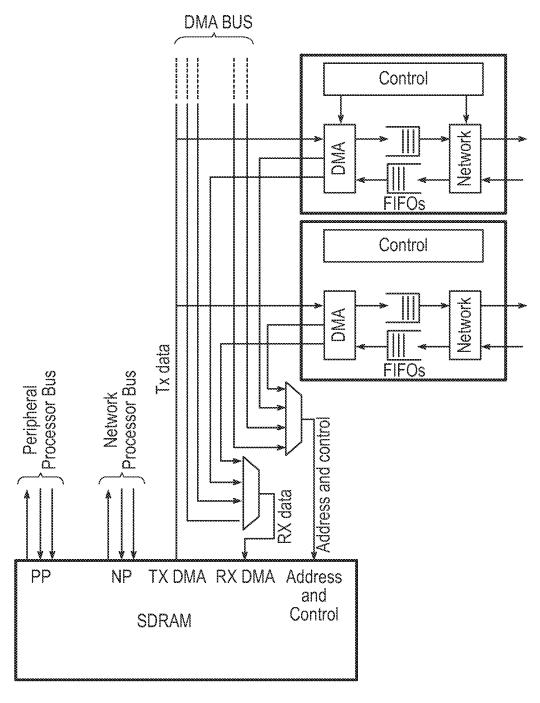


FIG. 17